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Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed on November 11, 2007, in connection with the above-identified patent application. With a two-month extension of time submitted herewith, a response to the Office Action is due by April 14, 2008,

and accordingly, this Amendment is timely filed **Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

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